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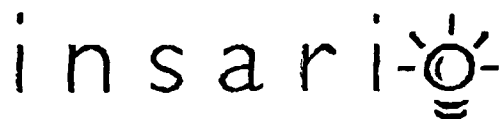
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December 21, 2001

Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

Like many other people, I have often felt that Microsoft's anti-competitive stance may have been a little restrictive, but I am not sure that it has really ever risen to the level of a lawsuit. The computer technology business is largely comprised of people who would rather see a freer exchange of information. Microsoft plays a little closer to the vest and this annoys some. However, I have always believed that a lawsuit like this will end up just as harmful for the entire technology market as it ever would for any one company.

This is why I believe that the settlement between the Department of Justice and Microsoft is a good one and should be sustained throughout this public comment and review period.

I am hoping that we can all get through this review period without initiating any further action. Any such action will most certainly hurt the entire computer technology market even more than it has already been hurt. Our country is only now beginning a slow recovery back to relative normalcy. I would hope that our national and state leaders would do nothing untoward to dampen this recovery.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JK" followed by a stylized flourish.

Josh Kewley  
Vice President